

Kimora Amour

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Kimora Amour presented one of the most powerful looks in Drag Race history during [an] episode of *Canada's Drag Race*.

Amour wowed audiences during the Sinners Ball with her powerful look for the "Ugly as Sin" category. For her look, she portrayed an enslaved woman who finally breaks free from her shackles and escapes to Canada to find freedom.

"It is difficult, but it is a story I needed to tell on this runway," she said during her confessional in the episode. Later in the episode during the critiques, she added, "There are a lot of portrayals when it comes to slavery and it is visceral, and it hurts. We are a set of people who honestly do not know where we come from. We literally have no home. It's why I take such pride in being Guyanese because it gives me something to hold onto...The pain and the suffering is ugly as hell and I don't think the world often sees that and understands how it still hurts our community."

Even though Amour's look shook the judges and forced them to reckon with the horrible reality of slavery, it apparently wasn't enough to make her the winner. Instead, Icesis Couture won the ball challenge, leaving people on social media confused, but ultimately ready to sing Amour's praises for her brave performance.

One commenter wrote about the judges simply naming Amour as one of the safe queens, writing, "Unfortunately @KimoraAmour joins the list of [B]lack & [B]rown queens who wanted to make a statement and raise awareness for systematic racism and oppression in such a profound way-- only to get a pat on the back and told they're not good enough for the win."

– Written by Monique Jones, of Shadow and Act

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